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Examiner: B. Huh

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.